



**CITY OF LODI  
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

**AGENDA TITLE:** Accept memorial bench and plaque donation commemorating the Friends of Lodi Lake 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary

**MEETING DATE:** October 5, 2005

**PREPARED BY:** Parks and Recreation Director

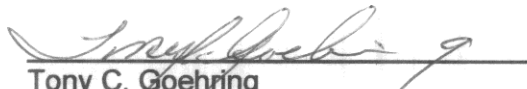
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the City Council accept a memorial bench and plaque donation commemorating the Friends of Lodi Lake 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** In 1995 a small group of citizens organized themselves and became known as the Friends of Lodi Lake. Their goal was to enhance and preserve Lodi Lake Park for future generations. In the past ten years, the Friends of Lodi Lake have designed, installed and maintained various gardens within the park. The group has donated numerous trees that have helped to enrich the park's urban forest. Staff has received enormous support from the Friends related to various park issues. The Friends have donated many voluntary hours toward park landscape maintenance, planning meetings and workshops. They are strong supporters of park events such as our annual Arbor Day celebration.

On October 4, 2005, the Parks and Recreation Commission is scheduled to consider this request. In the unlikely event that the Parks and Recreation Commission does not approve this donation, this item will be removed from the City Council agenda for the October 5, 2005, meeting.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The Friends of Lodi Lake have agreed to provide all necessary funding to support this request.

**FUNDING:** None

  
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